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## Georgia Southern College University Designation Collection

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## OVERVIEW OF COLLECTION

**Title:** Georgia Southern College University Designation collection

**Date:** 1989-1990

**Extent:** 1 Box

**Collector:** Georgia Southern University

**Language:** English

**Repository:** Zach S. Henderson Library Special Collections, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, GA. [specolle@georgiasouthern.edu](mailto:specolle@georgiasouthern.edu), 912-478-7819, [library.georgiasouthern.edu](http://library.georgiasouthern.edu).

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## ABOUT THE COLLECTION

**Administrative History:** Georgia Southern University was founded in 1906 as the First District Agricultural & Mechanical School. In 1924, the school changed its mission, and subsequently changed its name to the Georgia Normal School to reflect this new mission. In 1929, the school was accepted as a full college, and its name changed to the South Georgia Teachers College (later, in 1939, this title was shortened to the Georgia Teachers College). In 1959, the college became the Georgia Southern College, which reflected new degree and course offerings. However, as programs expanded, enrollment also expanded, and by 1987, enrollment at Georgia Southern College reached 12,000 students. In 1989, the Georgia Board of Regents approved Georgia Southern College's final transition into Georgia Southern University, which continues to be used as the title of the university to the present day.

**Scope and Content:** This collection consists of materials pertaining to the attainment of university status by Georgia Southern College spanning 1989 to 1990. Materials include official statements, newspaper clippings, programs, and memorabilia.

### Access Points:

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## CONTAINER LISTING

**Box 1:** 0200105010710

<u>Items</u>	<u>Box Number</u>	<u>Folder Number</u>
Response to a statement made about Georgia Southern College becoming Georgia Southern University, and the concept of regional universities, 1989 September 9	1	1
Two name tags from University Celebration Week Events	1	2
Eight invitations to special events during University Celebration	1	3

Week		
Pamphlet - University Celebration Week: Calendar of Events	1	4
Booklet - University Celebration Week: 1990 October 8-13	1	5
Twenty-six (26) newspaper articles about attainment of university status from <i>Statesboro Herald</i> , <i>Statesboro Georgian</i> , <i>Savannah Morning News</i> , <i>Savannah Evening Press</i> , <i>George-Anne</i> , and <i>Eagle</i> , 1989-1990	1	6